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**Please Note:**

**New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Solicitation Mailing List Application, SF-129, Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) one week prior to bid opening (August 26, 2003) or your company may be considered non-responsible.**

**FV-201**

**Fruit and Vegetable Programs**

**Date Issued: August 12, 2003**

***Frozen Fruit, Announcement FV-201, Invitation 077***

*NOTE: Funds are not presently available for contracts awarded for FY 2004. The Government's obligation for contracts issued is contingent upon the appropriation of funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise until funds are made available to the Contracting Officer for these contracts and until the Contractor receives written notice of such availability from the Contracting Officer.*

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Frozen Fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in the school lunch and other domestic food assistance programs. **Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Tuesday, August 26, 2003.** Acceptances will be announced by midnight September 8, 2003. Deliveries are to be made from November 16, 2003 through March 31, 2004.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Frozen Freestone (Sliced) Peaches	20 lb.	15,200 cases
<b>*Frozen Freestone (Diced) Peaches</b>	96/4.4 oz. cups	54,600 cases

- *Manufacturer's own commercially packaged and labeled product is acceptable, as long as it meets all of the requirements of the Food and Drug Administration and contains an identification code that allows for traceability of the product.*
- *All invitations with orders for the state of New York, must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special marking will be indicated by (\*\*). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.*
- *No offer will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation other than the 8(a) vendor who has an IDIQ contract for this commodity.*
- *On "BKLYN/CEN ISLIP NY" destinations, shippers are instructed to call the contact person on the Notice to Deliver first prior to making an*



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*appointment, so that they can be directed to which warehouse they will ship the product.*

**Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive.** Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-201, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Fruit dated June 1999, as amended, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20090-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-201, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

**\*COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS FOR:**

**Frozen Freestone Peaches in Individual Serving Size**

1. Grade: U.S. Grade B or better, except for U.S. Grade A for defects.
2. Style: Diced (3/8 to 1/2 inch)
3. Variety: "Yellow Freestone"
4. Individual Net Weight: 4.4 ounces per cup. 96 cups per case.
5. Size of Primary Container: Individual portion serving cups.
6. Pack Formula: Shall be either:
  - a. The pack ratio must be 11.5 + 1 by weight, fruit to packing media ratio; where the packing media is sugar, corn syrup, ascorbic acid or citric acid added to juice.
  - b. The pack ratio must be 4 + 1 by weight fruit to packing media ratio; where the packing media is a 45° Brix syrup composed of peach puree, sugar, ascorbic acid and citric acid.
7. There shall be No cooked product of any kind used.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV201  
 INVITATION : 077  
 COMM GROUP : 31 FRUIT, FROZEN  
 COMM TYPE : 10 PEACHES, FREESTONE, SLICED, FRZ  
 PACK SIZE : 20 20 LB CTN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 11/16/03 - 11/30/03

001	SOMERSET	NJ	TRUCK ONLY	1,900	_____
002	CLEVELAND	GA	TRUCK ONLY	510	_____
	LAWRENCEVILLE	GA	TRUCK ONLY	1,390	_____
003	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,900	_____

DELIVERY PERIOD 12/01/03 - 12/15/03

004	ASHLAND	VA	TRUCK ONLY	158	_____
	DANVILLE	VA	TRUCK ONLY	462	_____
	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	1,280	_____
005	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,425	_____
	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	475	_____
006	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,900	_____

DELIVERY PERIOD 12/16/03 - 12/31/03

007	AMERICUS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	982	_____
	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	918	_____

DELIVERY PERIOD 02/01/04 - 02/15/04

008	EAST BERNSTADT	KY	TRUCK ONLY	756	_____
	FAIRFIELD	OH	TRUCK ONLY	669	_____
	LOUISVILLE	KY	TRUCK ONLY	475	_____

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 15,200

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 COMM TYPE : 13 PEACHES, FREESTONE, DICED, FRZ  
 PACK SIZE : 20 96/4.4 OZ CUP

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DELIVERY PERIOD 11/16/03 - 11/30/03					
009	ALBANY	GA	TRUCK ONLY	603	_____
	AMERICUS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	797	_____
010	CHATTANOOGA	TN	TRUCK ONLY	908	_____
	CLEVELAND	GA	TRUCK ONLY	492	_____
011	COLLEGE PARK	GA		1,400	_____
012	HELENA	MT	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
013	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
014	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	350	_____
	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,050	_____
015	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	2,800	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 12/01/03 - 12/15/03					
016	ATLANTA	GA		800	_____
	LAWRENCEVILLE	GA	TRUCK ONLY	600	_____
017	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
018	PICO RIVERA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
019	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____

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020	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
021	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
022	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____

DELIVERY PERIOD 01/01/04 - 01/15/04

023	ATLANTA	GA	TRUCK ONLY	750	_____
	DOUGLASVILLE	GA	TRUCK ONLY	650	_____
024	INDEPENDENCE	MO		1,400	_____
025	LONG BEACH	CA	TRUCK ONLY	700	_____
	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	700	_____
026	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
027	CORDELIA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	350	_____
	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,050	_____
028	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
029	PUYALLUP	WA		2,800	_____
030	SPOKANE	WA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____

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DELIVERY PERIOD 01/16/04 - 01/31/04					
031	AMERICUS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	1,050	
	COLUMBUS	GA		350	
032	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	
DELIVERY PERIOD 02/01/04 - 02/15/04					
033	CLEVELAND	GA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	
034	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	
035	PICO RIVERA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	
036	RENO	NV	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	
DELIVERY PERIOD 02/16/04 - 02/29/04					
037	JONESBORO	GA	TRUCK ONLY	800	
	KENNESAW	GA	TRUCK ONLY	600	
DELIVERY PERIOD 03/01/04 - 03/15/04					
038	BIRMINGHAM	AL		1,400	
039	ALEXANDER CITY	AL	TRUCK ONLY	1,061	
	BIRMINGHAM	AL		339	
040	CLANTON	AL	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	
041	CLANTON	AL	TRUCK ONLY	574	
	TUSCALOOSA	AL	TRUCK ONLY	826	
042	BIRMINGHAM	AL		927	
	TUSCALOOSA	AL	TRUCK ONLY	473	

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DELIVERY PERIOD 03/01/04 - 03/15/04

043	ALBANY	GA	TRUCK ONLY	603	_____
	AMERICUS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	797	_____

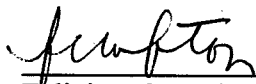
044	PICO RIVERA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
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DELIVERY PERIOD 03/16/04 - 03/31/04

045	PICO RIVERA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
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TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 54,600

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 69,800

  
 Felicitas C. Lofton  
 Contracting Officer

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